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Title: METHOD OF FORMING A LAYERED
POLISHING PADArt Unit:
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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 12, 2006, having a shortened statutory period extended by one month to expire September 12, 2006, please amend this application as follows:

In the Specification:

[0028] Apparatus 50 includes downstream of feed roller 58B two nip rollers 60 and 62 arranged adjacent each other on either side of axis A1 and separated by small gap G, called the "nip gap." Nip roller 60 assists in dispensing adhesive material 68 stored on an adhesive unwind spool 70. Nip roller 60 is adjustable so that applied pressure of the adhesive to the roll-good material can be adjusted. The adhesive material is that which forms either adhesive layer 20 or 30, depending on the stage of the lamination process. Nip roller 60 is heated to facilitate the lamination of the adhesive to particular subpad surface, while nip roller 62 is unheated. Adhesive material 68 is feed-fed into the nip gap at an angle β , which is adjustable by adjusting the position of nip roller 60.